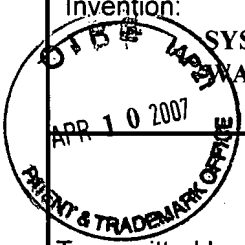


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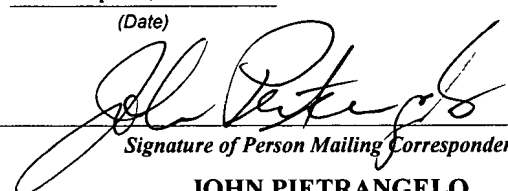
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

Introductory Comments

This Response to Office Action is being submitted in reply to the Office Action mailed January 5, 2007 for the above-referenced application. Since this Response is being filed on or before April 5, 2007, this Response is being timely filed.

Application No.: 10/614,312
Amendment dated April 5, 2007
Reply to Office Action of January 5, 2007

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.